## ABSTRACT

A chucking apparatus in which a plurality of pawl bodies are provided in a radial direction of a hub body of a turntable such that the pawl bodies can move, and a center hole of a disk is pressed by the pawl bodies to hold the disk, wherein the chucking apparatus comprises a resilient member for biasing the pawl bodies outward of the hub body, each of the pawl bodies includes a pawl portion which comes into contact with the disk, and a pawl-side stopper for limiting outward movement of the pawl bodies caused by the resilient member, the hub body includes a pawl opening through which the pawl portion can project outward, and a hub-side stopper which abuts against the pawl-side stopper, a downward guide surface is provided at a location lower than a tip end of the pawl portion, the hub body is provided with an upper receiving surface at a position opposed to the downward guide surface, and the pawl portion is pressed from above by the disk, the first inclined surface abuts against the upper receiving surface when a tip end of the pawl portion is inserted into a center hole of the disk or before the tip end is inserted into the center hole of the disk, the second inclined surface abuts against the upper receiving surface after the tip end of the pawl portion is inserted into the center hole of the disk, an angle formed between the second inclined surface and a pressing direction is smaller than an angle formed between the first inclined surface and the pressing direction.